

# Billy Graham Crusade To Begin Sunday

The long-awaited Billy Graham Mississippi Crusade begins next Sunday, May 11, at Mississippi Memorial Stadium.

The meeting will continue through May 18, with Sunday services at 6 p.m. and the week night services each evening at 7:30.

Billy Graham and other team members arrive this week, and

pre-crusade activities began with a Press Conference with Mr. Graham on Wednesday.

On Thursday morning the evangelist was to speak at the annual Governor's Breakfast to be held at the Mississippi Trade Mart at the fairgrounds. On Friday morning he will speak to pastors of the area, at a continental breakfast at

the First Presbyterian Church.

A giant choir of thousands of voices has been enlisted, with singers from hundreds of churches throughout central Mississippi expected to be participating.

More than a thousand ushers have been enlisted, and more than 1,500 counselors have been chosen and trained for working with those

who came forward during the invitation.

Another group has been enlisted to be active each evening after the crusade service, preparing for follow-up on those who have made decisions that night. Under the plan, pastors and churches will the very next day receive the names of those who have made commitment and have named the church as their choice.

The stadium itself is being readied with a special pulpit platform being erected and other adjustments being made for the meeting. A public address system, especially adapted for such a crusade, is being installed.

The city Police Department is preparing for full cooperation in handling the crowds and the specially trained group which handles the parking at athletic events will direct the parking on the stadium grounds.

With Mr. Graham for this meeting will be all of the regular team

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was selected, and planning for the crusade began.

James Carr, Jackson business executive, was chosen as the General Chairman, and more than forty persons from various denominations were named to the steering committee.

A crusade office was set up in the Republic Life Insurance building on Woodrow Wilson, adjacent to the stadium, in October, and a staff of full-time and volunteer workers was enlisted. This staff has grown as the crusade has approached.

Charles Riggs of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association came to Jackson in November to be the Director of the Mississippi Crusade, and a number of other members of the Graham organization have been brought in as the preparation has progressed.

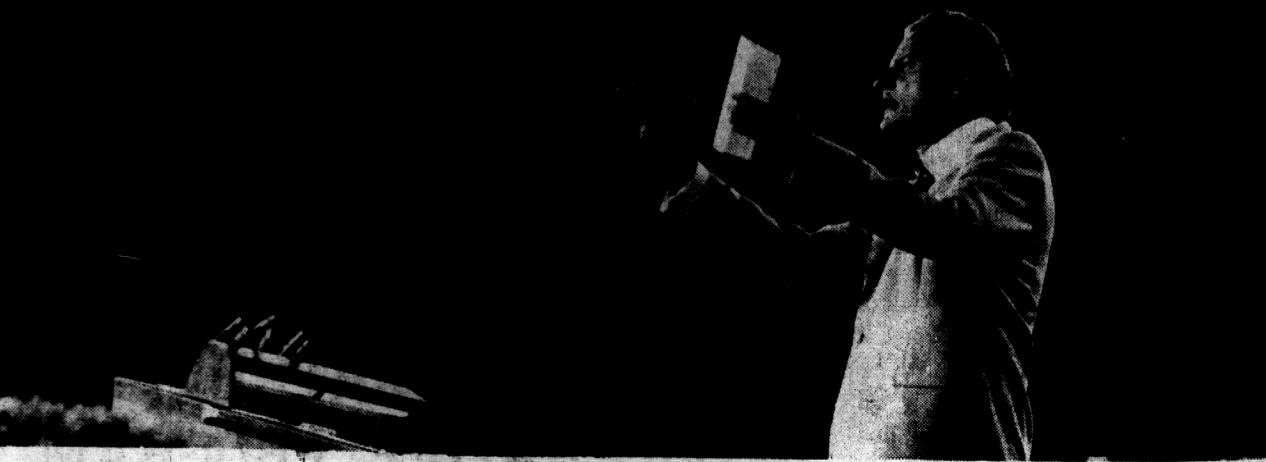
Various groups have been organized in the preparation period.

Women have formed a Prayer Group and more than 2,600 neighborhood prayer meetings have been held each week for the past several weeks. A radio program prepared especially for this crusade has been broadcast five days a week at 10:15 a.m. and 8 p.m. for the past several weeks, and has been used in connection with the prayer meetings.

Men joined in a prayer rally at First Baptist Church in mid-April with Coach Tom Landry of the Dallas Cowboys as a speaker. Many men and boys are involved in numerous prayer periods in homes, offices, and other places.

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## SBC Schedules Business And Celebration In Miami Beach

The annual business of the Southern Baptist Convention June 10-12 will mark the celebration of the nation's bicentennial and the observance of the 50th anniversary of the SBC's Cooperative Program unified budget.

Projected on bigger-than-life image closed-circuit color TV magnification screens for the second year, the SBC program will draw some 16,000 registered messengers from across the nation to attend sessions of the nation's largest Protestant-evangelical denomination. The SBC has 12.5 million members in 34,734 churches across 50 states.

Business will center around presentation of a proposed \$51 million national Cooperative Program budget for 1975-76 and reports from 19 national SBC agencies. The \$51 million includes \$41 million for operating needs of SBC agencies, \$1 million in capital needs and \$9 million in "challenge" funds. It represents about

one third of the total Cooperative Program budgets of 33 state or regional conventions affiliated with the SBC, which have a combined budget goal of \$150 million for 1975-76.

Seemingly no divisive issues loom on the SBC horizon, a n d SBC president, Jaroy Weber, pastor of First Baptist Church, Lubbock, Tex., hopes the convention will not debate "insignificant issues."

He said he hopes people will leave the SBC annual session, built around the theme, "Let Christ's Freedom Ring," with a greater compassion for the spiritual and physical needs of the world. "World conditions are so serious that we can't debate insignif-

icant issues," said Weber, who will deliver his presidential address, Tuesday night, June 10.

An issue that Weber says he hopes will not come up at the convention is the charismatic movement, which has surfaced, centering mainly around its tongue-speaking aspects, in a number of associations of churches and state conventions during the past year.

Both Weber and Charles Harvey, Shreveport, La., pastor and chairman of the Executive Committee, predict that the tongues question will not become a divisive issue at Miami Beach.

Harvey said the SBC is not a doctrine-making organization and whatever practices a local

church adopts is its own business. Weber said that while the tongue movement is an idea to be dealt with by the local church, it has "peaked out" and less emphasis will be given to it in the future.

SBC state and national agencies and individual Southern Baptists have shown a growing concern about world hunger and Southern Baptists' ability to respond to various kinds of disaster throughout the world.

World hunger and disaster relief will likely surface as a topic for discussion during the three-day gathering in Miami Beach.

Other business will involve a series of recommendations on by-law changes, including a suggestion that at least one year should elapse before a person is eligible

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## Baptist Agency Questions Proposed Education Rules

WASHINGTON (BP) — The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs presented testimony here expressing serious reservations about a section of a proposed set of federal guidelines designed to channel federal funds to the educationally deprived in nonpublic schools.

The Baptist group emphasized, however, that it does not oppose providing such funds if procedures to safeguard church-state separation are built into the regulations.

James E. Wood Jr., executive director of the Washington-based Baptist agency, testified at a hearing conducted by the office of education of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

The day-long hearing was set up to allow a wide variety of affected groups to express their views on the proposed guidelines.

The guidelines in question come as a result of the enactment by Congress last year of a four-year extension to the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). HEW is mandated to implement the law on the state and local levels.

Wood testified that the Baptist Joint Committee is concerned about "what we perceive to be a general looseness in definition and structure in the proposed regulations."

He stated further that the Baptist group's objections to specific

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## Missionary Return To Saigon Aids Baptist Exit

SAIGON (BP) — Vietnamese employees of the Baptist Mission of South Vietnam and their families, plus other Baptists, were among the final refugees evacuated from Saigon by the U.S. government, as a result of efforts by missionaries H. Earl Bens Jr. and Gene V. Tunnell.

The two missionaries, who had previously evacuated to Singapore, returned to Saigon on April 24 on a final mission — an attempt to arrange for the evacuation of this group.

Bens and Tunnell went to the South Vietnamese government — then still in power — with the list of names of the Baptist employees, their families, and others. They requested permission for their

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## Cooperative Gifts For Four Months Exceed Budget

Gifts through the Cooperative Program from Mississippi Baptist churches through the first four months of this year have amounted to \$2,225,845, according to an announcement by Dr. Earl Kelly, executive secretary-treasurer of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

"This is \$25,845 more than the budget figure for this point in the year," Dr. Kelly remarked.

Last year at the same time the Cooperative Program gifts had amounted to \$2,074,252. This year's total is an increase of \$151,593, or 7.3 percent.

The Cooperative Program is the Southern Baptist voluntary plan

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Memphis (BP) — The Foreign Mission Board needs to provide thousands of new opportunities for Southern Baptist lay people to serve on the mission fields during the next 25 years, the top executive of the SBC missions agency was told here.

## SBC Cooperative Program Stays Ahead Of 1973-74

NASHVILLE (BP) — Receipts through the Southern Baptist Convention's national Cooperative Program unified budget for the first seven months of the 1974-75 fiscal year exceeded the same period last year by nearly \$1.7 million, or 7.5 percent.

A report released here by John

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Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the mission board, received the suggestion along with 21 others while conducting an inquiry session at the four-day Brotherhood Leadership Conference.

The SBC agency is conducting a series of inquiry sessions throughout the United States this year in an effort to learn what "bold new plans" a cross section of Southern Baptists want to see unfolding before the end of this century.

Cauthen told the 50 state Brotherhood leaders and members of the Brotherhood Commission staff he expects to get similar information from more than 2,600 Southern Baptist missionaries serving in 83 countries "by the end of this summer."

The inquiry session was one of the features of the Brotherhood evaluation and planning conference which included addresses by C. B. Hogue, director of the evangelism section of the Horne

Mission Board, and his renewal evangelism associate, Reid Hardin.

Speaking on the concepts in lifestyle evangelism, Hogue said he hopes every individual and agency in the Southern Baptist Convention "would do evangelism."

Hogue described evangelism as "what a man is and does."

"My concept begins with an experience, leads to a development of maturity, and bears fruitful response in what people do naturally."

"I don't think this means running up to every person you see on the street, grabbing his lapels and shaking him until his cage rattles."

"But neither is lifestyle evangelism just living the good life. It's life sharing. A good life is no excuse for locked lips."

"We must encourage people to be normal and natural evangelists."

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## Billy Graham Crusade Briefs

Rain or Shine. The Crusade services will be at the stadium, rain or shine, for there is no alternate meeting place. So plan to come on, even with your rain coat and umbrella, if rains should threaten. However, we are of the opinion that the weather will clear so that there will not be rain at service time. Just pray that God will so direct the weather that it will be good for the crusade.

Bring People To The Services! One of the most important things that you can do in relation to this great evangelistic opportunity, is to bring lost friends, and unenlisted friends with you to the services. Thousands of people, all over the world, have been won to Christ, simply by being brought to the crusade services, to hear God's message through the evangelist, through the music, through the testimonies, and through the spirit of the services themselves. This is a revival not simply for Christians, but to bring lost friends to know Jesus Christ. Many will come to services like these, who never will come to a church. Let's bring hundreds and even thousands of friends who need Christ to these services.

## Send-Off Ceremony Planned As Bell Leaves For SBC

Also participating in the ceremony will be Lt. Gov. William Winter; Secretary of State Heber Ladner; Dr. Earl Kelly, executive secretary-treasurer of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board; and Dr. W. O. Vaught, pastor of Immanuel Church, Little Rock, Ark., and national chairman of the project of taking the Mississippi bell to Miami Beach.

Mississippi chairman of the effort is Dr. John Lee Taylor, pastor of First Church, Grenada. He is in charge of the program and will preside. Rev. James Richardson, pastor of First Church, Leland, and president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, will deliver the invocation.

The bell will be rung to open each session of the Southern Baptist Convention, June 10-12, where the program will be structured to

call attention to the bicentennial observation of the nation. The convention theme will be "Let Christ's Freedom Ring."

The idea for the use of the Liberty Bell replica originated in a meeting of the SBC Foreign Mission Board, of which Dr. Taylor and Dr. Vaught are members. The arrangements for the use of the Mississippi bell were worked out between Gov. Waller, Dr. Kelly, Dr. Taylor, and Mr. Ladner.

Mr. Ladner is chairman of the Mississippi Capitol Commission, which is responsible for the Capitol grounds, including the bell. The commission voted unanimously to loan the bell to Southern Baptists for their convention. Mr. Ladner is also chairman of the Bicentennial Commission for Mississippi and plans to make the Southern Baptist Convention use of

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Dr. John Lee Taylor, pastor of First Church, Grenada, and Mississippi chairman of the project to send the Liberty Bell replica to the Southern Baptist Convention, creates a few sound waves as he rings the bell in the machine shop where it was reconditioned for the trip.

# Ceremony Planned As Bell Leaves

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the bell and the ceremonies on the Capitol steps a part of the bicentennial observation in Mississippi.

The bell will travel on a truck built for the purpose by Ford Motor Company. It's first stop will be Philadelphia on May 27, where the original Liberty Bell is located, where the first Baptist association was founded in 1707, and where the first nationwide Baptist body was organized on May 18, 1814. Dedication ceremonies will be held for the bell there.

The bell will then go to Washington, D.C., where Dr. Weber will speak during brief ceremonies. The committee at work on the project indicated that President Gerald Ford possibly would attend this meeting.

On June 2 the bell will stop at the steps of the Virginia state Capitol in Richmond. SBC Foreign Mission Board Executive Secretary Baker J. Cauthen will preside over a 7:30 p.m. ceremony, which will include greetings from the Virginia governor and the Richmond mayor. Dr. Vaught will speak.

The North Carolina State Capitol

lawn in Raleigh will be the next stop on June 3 for an 11:30 a.m. meeting, and from there it will go to Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary at Wake Forest, N.C.

On the evening of June 3 the bell will be on display in Greenville, S.C., where Southern Baptist Theological Seminary was founded in 1859. Dr. Duke K. McCall, president of the seminary now located in Louisville, Ky., will speak.

The next ceremony will be June 4 in Charleston, S.C., where the oldest Baptist church in the South—First Baptist, Charleston—is located. It was first organized in Kittery, Maine, in 1682. The first Baptist district association in the South was organized in Charleston in 1751.

The Foreign Mission Board will be responsible for transporting the bell from Jackson to Charleston, and the SBC Home Mission Board will take responsibility for

the rest of the trip.

On June 5 the bell will be in Savannah, Ga., the state's oldest city and near the site of the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention in Augusta, Ga., in 1845.

From there the bell will move to Miami Beach. Gov. Waller will present the bell to SBC President Weber at the opening of the Southern Baptist Convention on June 10. The Callaway High School Band of Jackson will present a concert before the ceremony at the Mississippi Capitol steps and will play "The Star Spangled Banner" during the opening minutes.

## Presentation Program

of

### Mississippi's Liberty Bell

#### For The Southern Baptist Convention

Monday, May 12, 1975

4 O'Clock P. M.

State Capitol Steps, Jackson, Mississippi

Dr. John Lee Taylor, Presiding

Pastor, First Baptist Church, Grenada, Mississippi

Playing of the National Anthem—Callaway High School Band  
Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation—Rev. James Richardson, president, Mississippi Baptist Convention

Welcome and Introductions—Lt. Gov. William Winter

Mississippi's Bicentennial Observance and the Liberty Bell—Secretary of State Heber Ladner

The Southern Baptist Convention and the Liberty Bell—Dr. W. O. Vaught, chairman, Liberty Bell Committee, Southern Baptist Convention

Presentation of the Liberty Bell—Governor William Waller

Acceptance of the Liberty Bell—Dr. Jerry Weber, president, Southern Baptist Convention

"America the Beautiful"—Mr. Larry Black, music director, First Baptist Church, Jackson

Prayer of Dedication—Dr. Earl Kelly, executive secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board

## BULLETIN

Miss Marian Frost Leavell, 69, died in an Oxford, Mississippi, hospital, on Monday night, May 6. She was BSU Director at Ole Miss from 1931 to 1967.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

## Cooperative Program

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of unified giving through which is financed missions, education, and promotion efforts throughout the nation and around the world.

During April the Cooperative Program gifts from the Mississippi Baptist Churches amounted to \$626,089, which was \$77,840 more than for the same month of 1974. This was an increase of 14.2 percent.

"This continued response to national and worldwide missions needs is extremely gratifying," Dr. Kelly said. "Mississippi Baptists are demonstrating that they care about a world that is hurting and in need," he added.

## SBC Gifts

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H. Williams of the SBC Executive Committee indicates 33 state conventions covering 50 states have sent in \$23.84 million for use in worldwide SBC causes, compared to \$22.17 million last year.

The \$23.84 million represents about one-third of funds received by the state conventions from the SBC's 34,734 churches.

Total national contributions, including \$26.34 million in designated giving, for the first seven months add up to \$50.17 million—a \$3.6 million or 7.71 percent increase over last year.

Figures for April show some \$3.29 million in national Cooperative Program receipts in 1975, a 2.32 percent increase over receipts last April.

Adding some \$3.18 million in designated giving in April, Southern Baptists gave a total of \$6.47 million to national SBC causes this April—a 7.87 percent increase over the April 1974 figure.

## Agency Questions Rules

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provisions within the proposed guidelines "stem from a dual commitment on the one hand to religious liberty and church-state separation and on the other hand to the public school system."

One of the joint committee's objections was aimed at the controversial "bypass" provision in the ESEA which permits the U.S. commissioner of education to go around state education officials who refuse to provide funds to pupils in non-public schools. About

half the states have provisions written into their constitutions prohibiting outright the expenditure of public funds directly or indirectly to private elementary and secondary schools, most of which are religious institutions.

During 1974, when the ESEA extension was being debated in Congress, the Baptist agency announced its support for the bill but objected strongly to the bypass provision. Many observers feel that the bypass will be tested in the courts in the near future.

Highland Church of Meridian.

In addition to the transaction of routine Children's Village business, the meeting heard a report on the progress of the Farrow Manor project and reviewed its relationship with Farrow Manor, Inc., the private, Baptist-oriented corporation which holds title to the premises and is promoting and supervising the construction of the building facilities to Village specifications. At the conclusion of the business meeting, the trustees toured the site, including the first three cottages for children, which are nearing completion and which the Village Administration expects to occupy about mid-summer of 1975. The tour was conducted by Farrow Manor's president, L. W. Turner, Senatobia businessman and a Deacon in Mt. Zion Baptist Church of Independence and Rev. T. M. Jennings of Farrow Manor, Inc. Mr. Turner is also a member of the Board of Trustees of The Baptist Children's Village.

As a branch Village campus, child care facilities and services at the Tate County site will be staffed, operated, and administered by The Baptist Children's Village, according to Paul N. Nunnery, Village superintendent. Farrow Manor, Inc., is responsible for constructing the buildings and improvements, including the financing of all capital investments on the property. Nunnery has explained, with The Village assuming full responsibility, including financial operating responsibility, for child care services, ministries, and programs and exercising full authority over such operations in accord with Baptist philosophies of child care, as practiced by The Village in its other operations. Village board authority has described the relationship be-

tween Farrow Manor, Inc., the owners and builders, and the Baptist Children's Village, the operators, as comparable to a landlord-tenant relationship. The relationship has also been compared to The Village's "satellite home" relationship in New Albany, where First Baptist Church of New Albany owns and maintains the building facility and the Baptist Children's Village finances the operation of the home and retains full responsibility for and authority over staff children and services.

It has been revealed that a branch child care campus of the Children's Village with an eventual capacity of approximately 150 boys and girls is envisioned, with facilities to be constructed by the Farrow Manor group and released to the Village Administration for operation in a number of planned and scheduled stages, contingent upon capital investment funds available to the owners and operating funds available to the Village.

Ground was broken on the 187-acre site on June 16, 1974, in formal ceremonies with Dr. Earl Kelly, executive secretary, treasurer of Mississippi Baptist Convention Board; Mrs. Ada Farrow of Bett, the donor of the site; and Nunnery, participating.

In commenting upon Village plans for use of the new facilities, Superintendent Nunnery has emphasized the importance of what he describes as "a new dimension and resource" which Farrow Manor will afford the Village in a rural setting with a "farm, field, and stream environment."

"We are about to turn the page on an exciting new chapter in the long and honored history of Baptist child care in Mississippi," Nunnery said.

## Village Trustees Meet At Farrow Manor

The first three cottages of a new branch campus to be operated by the Baptist Children's Village on the Farrow Manor site near Independence, in Tate County, are nearing completion. A regular quarterly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village, Mississippi Baptists' official child care agency, was recently conducted on Farrow Manor premises with the Board of Directors of Farrow Manor, Inc., owners and builders of the new facility, join-

ing Village Trustees at lunch.

Jack H. Ewing, a Jackson attorney and a deacon in First Church of Jackson, serves as president of The Village's Board of Trustees and chaired the meeting, assisted by Rev. Kermit McGregor, pastor of Temple Church of Hattiesburg, vice-president of the Board of Trustees and chairman of its Executive Committee, and Lyle V. Corey, a Meridian Attorney and Secretary of the Board. Mr. Corey is a deacon in



Trustees of The Baptist Children's Village gather at one of the new child-care cottages at Farrow Manor in Tate County. The new buildings will be occupied by Village staff and children as a branch campus in mid-summer, 1975.

Sharing Christ with the World

1975 Cooperative Program

HAPPY BIRTHDAY  
COOPERATIVE PROGRAM!  
MAY 13, 1975

## The Desert Blossoms Like A Rose

By Hardy Denham, Jr.

FBC Newton

Isaiah wrote, "The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom like the rose" (Isaiah 35:1). The prophet was looking to the time when the captivity of Judah would be past and the restored remnant would "see the glory of the Lord, and the majesty of our God" (Isaiah 35:2).

Each year one can witness a reviving in nature. The "wilderness and dry land" of winter passes and with the budding of new life the earth blossoms like a rose.

There is a spiritual parallel to this. Even as ancient Judah knew the wilderness experience of the Babylonian captivity and the winter time of separation from their beloved land, so man "dead through trespasses and sins" is "separated from Christ . . . having no hope and without God in the world" (Ephesians 2:1, 2). His life is a spiritual wilderness and moral desert.

As cooperating Southern Baptists we have a means which God has blessed and used for half a century to make possible the blossoming of roses in man's spiritual wilderness and moral desert. We call that means the Cooperative Program.

To be sure, there is nothing magical or mystical about the Cooperative Program. At best it is a tool. Agriculturally it can be likened to an irrigation ditch which is just a means of conveying water to a dry, desert wasteland making it blossom like a garden. The life-giving water for

the spiritual desert is the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. The Cooperative Program is the channel, the canal, if you please, that reaches out to the spiritual wilderness of a lost world and makes it possible for us to share the good news of our Saviour.

The Cooperative Program makes it possible for the deserts of this world to blossom like a rose, as that effective canal enables the gospel to flow to other continents and countries on the earth. There peoples whose languages and lifestyles are different hear about the Giver of life and are helped to discover a better life . . . "and the desert blossoms like a rose."

The canal of our mission program reaches the great cities of America which represent spiritual needs of fantastic proportions. There in language missions, goodwill centers, child-care facilities, and the like—those needs are met . . . "and the desert blossoms like a rose."

During this beautiful spring-time of the year as you see the budding of new life and blossoming of flowers, remember and be grateful for the fact that we have a means to carry the gospel that causes the desert of our world to blossom like a rose.

## SBC Schedule

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for election to a board or agency after serving two previous terms on another board or agency; and a suggestion that the Committee on Boards give first consideration to those primarily involved in local church work when selecting members of SBC boards.

The latter recommendation would not preclude use of denominational persons (such as state convention employees) on boards

but would ask that first consideration go to persons active in programs of the local church, such as staff members and lay persons.

Charles Colson, convicted Nixon presidential aide, who testified to a life-changing experience with Jesus Christ during the Watergate trials, will speak to the Monday night, June 9, session of the SBC Pastor's Conference at the Miami Beach Convention Center.

## Opportunities For Laymen

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ists where ever they are," he told the Brotherhood leaders. "This man does because he likes to do it."

Cauthen expressed appreciation for recent Brotherhood efforts in enlisting 350 lay volunteers to build homes, schools, and churches in Honduras and to provide food following the devastation of Hurricane Fifi last September.

Several state Brotherhood leaders told the foreign missions executive that gifts to the Cooperative Program climbed significantly in their states following the return of their lay volunteers from the Central American country.

In the inquiry session, Glendon McCullough, executive director of the Brotherhood Commission, expressed the hope the mission board would make it possible for up to 50,000 lay persons to serve overseas each year in the interest of Christian missions.

"It's my feeling that this great lay involvement could lead Southern Baptists to provide funds and personnel to reach a goal of 10,000 career missionaries."

In light of improved transportation and health facilities, the board also was asked to scale down its health requirements for missionaries.

## Missionary Return To

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evacuation, according to a telephone conversation with R. Keith Parks, the board's secretary for Southeast Asia, who was in Taipei, Taiwan, Republic of China.

The American Embassy in Saigon agreed to evacuate the refugees on the list and plans were made for the evacuation, Parks said.

Bangs and Tunnell were among the last to leave Saigon on commercial flights, Saturday, April 26, just days before the South Vietnamese surrender was announced.

It is not certain whether all persons listed by the missionaries have been successfully evacuated. Reports indicate that some arrived safely at Clark Field in the Philippines, and others are in Guam. Attempts are being made to determine the total number

evacuated and their present location, according to the Foreign Mission Board in Richmond.

Missionary Parks Marler, stationed in Guam, is directing missionary efforts to assist refugees there. Missionaries are helping to register and process the thousands of refugees from Saigon.

Baptist missionaries in the Philippines are also involved with registration and recreational activities at Clark Field.

In the United States, staff members of the Foreign and Home Mission Board, the denomination's Brotherhood Commission, and other Baptist groups are consulting with government officials, churches in areas where the evacuees will be received, and relief agencies to determine a possible course of action when the refugees arrive.

# Graham Continues Evangelism History

After over 25 years in the public eye, Billy Graham continues to make evangelism history. His proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ has taken him to every major metropolitan area of the United States and as well as those of Africa, Asia, Australia, and Europe. His preaching has been heard by people of all races and classes, the unschooled and the educational elite, the rich and the poor, the adherents of many faiths, and those living under a variety of political systems.

Technological advances have brought adaptations in his methods and have enlarged the size of his audiences, but his basic message has remained the same for over a quarter century. For example, when he preached a simple sermon on the cross at the closing service of the Greater Rio (Brazil) Crusade in October, 1974, not only did a quarter million people hear him at the stadium but an estimated 11 million Brazilians heard the message on television. The attendance broke a record for Maracana (the world's largest stadium), and the live telecasting of an evangelistic service on a nationwide network was unprecedented for Brazil. The Maracana congregation was the largest ever to attend an evangelistic meeting in South or North America. Over 30,000 persons sought spiritual counsel as a result of the five-day Rio Crusade.

A 1974 technological "first" in the United States for the evangelist was his use of closed-circuit television to conduct simultaneous meetings in neighboring cities, Norfolk and Hampton, Va. Utilization of both arenas enabled him to speak to larger crowds in the historic Tidewater area that includes personnel from the world's largest Naval station and other military installations. The services were video-taped for later telecasts across America and in many other nations. In countries where English is not the major language, the Crusade telecasts are heard in the predominant language through lip-synchronized translations.

Attendance records at the Olympic Stadium in Lausanne, Switzerland, were broken when Mr. Graham addressed an evangelistic rally there in July, 1974. An estimated 46,000 attended the public event highlighting the International Congress on World Evangelization. Translation was provided in both French and German. Mr. Graham was honorary chairman of the congress which brought together about 4,000 leaders from 150 countries.

#### Organizing A Crusade

Every evangelistic crusade conducted by Mr. Graham is the result of a cooperative effort involving the evangelist, his team, and many local Christians and churches. He is invited by a group of ministers and laymen who have banded together because of the common desire to reach their community with the Christian message. He receives hundreds of invitations each year.

The invitations are evaluated by Mr. Graham with his team. Each one is considered on the basis of community needs, time element, local interest, available meeting facilities, weather factors (especially in the case of outdoor meetings), and other criteria. Even though there is wide consultation with the Team and friends, the final decision to accept, reject, or postpone action on an invitation is made by Mr. Graham. He decides only after much prayer, seeking God's leadership in the matter.

After the place and dates are

confirmed, a BGEA staff member is assigned to the city as crusade director. He sets up an office, assembles local committees, and generally gives leadership in organizing the crusade. The period of preparation and in-city staff work depends on several factors. The time a crusade office is open varies from eight months to two years.

Volunteer workers make up the vast majority of personnel required to organize and prepare for a Crusade. Only a very small number of crusade staff are salaried. All committee members donate their time and talents to the crusade. It has been estimated that it would require an average of 5,000 persons to conduct a Graham crusade if volunteers were not available.

In every crusade an executive committee composed of a local laymen and clergymen is the incorporated policy-making body. It is responsible for determining the budget, raising the necessary funds to meet that budget, and disbursing all funds. Members of the Graham team act as consultants to the executive committee and its several operational committees, including prayer (to enlist the prayer supper of Christians throughout the area, individually and in groups); counseling and follow-up (to enlist counselors and other personnel to deal with inquirers who come forward in response to the evangelist's invitation); "operation Andrew" (to encourage Christians to bring the unchurched to crusade meetings); finance (to assist in raising funds); music, ushers; etc.

#### Associate Crusades

Because Billy Graham receives far more invitations than he can accept, eight Associate Evangelists have joined the Team. While

they generally follow the patterns used in the Graham crusades, they bring a diversity of backgrounds to the organization and have unique ministries. Some focus particular attention on certain areas, such as Canada, Africa, and India, because of their

circulation in the United States, there are also specially edited English editions for Canada, Great Britain, and Australia. The newest edition is in Chinese, with editing and distribution handled from Hong Kong. Other languages are French, German, Japanese and Spanish. Regular features of the publication include articles by Mr. Graham and his associates, Bible study and devotion helps, features on interesting Christians, editorials on the church and Christian living, and news of crusade activities. The magazine regularly has full-color issues and accepts no advertising.

#### World Wide Pictures

More than 100 films have been made since 1951 by World Wide Pictures (formerly known as Billy Graham Evangelistic Films). The association's movie affiliate has studios and production headquarters in Burbank, with distribution managed from Minneapolis. The films are available throughout the world (with some in as many as 17 languages).

**Television Crusades**  
Three or four Crusades are video-taped each year for later nationwide release as prime time telecasts. BGEA uses the time for approximately \$1 million for each three-program series. Contributions of viewers meet the expense. Since 1965 an average of more than 300 television stations across the United States and in other English speaking countries have carried the crusade telecasts. Edited versions with translation are being aired in many other nations.

#### Decision Magazine

**Decision** — official magazine of the association — was founded at the Minneapolis headquarters in November, 1960, with an initial press run of 200,000. Over 3 million copies are now circulated worldwide. It is the largest religious monthly journal. There are now 10 editions in six languages and Braille. In addition to the edi-

tion circulated in the United States, there are also specially edited English editions for Canada, Great Britain, and Australia. The newest edition is in Chinese, with editing and distribution handled from Hong Kong. Other languages are French, German, Japanese and Spanish. Regular features of the publication include articles by Mr. Graham and his associates, Bible study and devotion helps, features on interesting Christians, editorials on the church and Christian living, and news of crusade activities. The magazine regularly has full-color issues and accepts no advertising.

#### Counseling and Follow-Up

Complementing the counseling and follow-up work done in a crusade city by the staff and volunteer workers is the work of a staff of ministers and trained counselors at BGEA headquarters in Minneapolis. Persons who make a commitment to Christ in a crusade are enrolled in a free Bible correspondence course which teaches them the meaning of their decision and gives further aid in spiritual training. Details of this correspondence are handled from Minneapolis. In addition, this staff answers letters stating spiritual problems which come from troubled people around the world.

#### Financial Operation

Mr. Graham personally accepts no honoraria or "love offerings" for his work. Any contributions sent to him go to the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. His salary (determined by a board of directors composed primarily of laymen) is paid by the association as are the salaries of all team members. The annual budget for BGEA operations come from individual contributions which average about \$8 per gift. In each local Crusade, both the raising and disbursing of funds is the responsibility of the local Executive Committee. While most decisions are in the hands of this panel of leading churchmen, BGEA insists that none of the funds go to Dr. Graham personally and that there be a full public audit of the accounts.

## Graham Association Team Members

#### George Beverly Shea

He is often called "America's Beloved Gospel Singer," but George Beverly Shea cannot be claimed by only one country. He was born in Canada and lives in the United States. He is a favorite of people in those nations and many others. The best known vocalist at Billy Graham Crusades has been singing the Gospel around the globe for more than 30 years.

He was born in Winchester, Ontario, where his father was a Methodist minister. His first public singing was in the choir of his father's church. Later, he sang with the Houghton (N. Y.) College Glee Club.

Every hymn he sings is a testimony to the saving power of Jesus Christ and to Shea's faith in Him. He is also a composer, and the songs he has written incorporate the same message. One of his best-known solos is "I'd Rather Have Jesus." He composed the music for words by Mrs. Rhea H. Miller. The poem had been left on the family piano by Shea's mother, and after reading the words he sat at the instrument and made up the tune. He also wrote "The Wonder Of It All," "Sing Me A Song of Sharon's Rose," and "I Love Thy Presence, Lord." His newest composition is a joint effort with his married daughter, Elaine Anderson, is "I Will Praise Him."

His network radio singing started on "Club Time," a program carried for over eight years on ABC and the Armed Forces networks as well as many independent stations. When Billy Graham, then pastor of the Village Church in Western Springs, Ill., was taking over the "Songs in the Night" hymn program in 1943 he recalled hearing Shea's radio singing and enlisted him to help with the broadcast. That was the beginning of the long association between Graham and Shea.

The singer makes his home with his wife, Erma, and their son, Ronald, in Western Springs, Ill.

#### Cliff Barrows

"The Christian faith is a singing faith, and good way to express it and share it with others is in community singing."

These are the words of Cliff Barrows, music director for the Billy Graham Team. Not only has he sung about the Christian faith, but he has led in it being sung around the world.

His familiar and friendly voice has been heard on "The Hour of Decision" for the past 25 years.

He also serves as program director for the broadcast.

Cliff Barrows has been the man responsible for the music in Billy

Graham Crusades since the beginning — in the mid Forties. They have been together sharing the Gospel in almost every country in the Western world.

Barrows is a former Californian, being reared in Ceres, but now makes his home in Greenville, S. C., with his wife and five B's — Bonnie, Bobby, Betty, Buddy and Billy. His wife also is named Billie!

#### Tedd Smith

Tedd Smith was born in London, Ontario, Canada, and received his musical education at the Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto, the Universities of North Carolina and Minnesota, and the Catholic University of America in Washington, D. C.

Before joining the Graham Team in 1950, Tedd was the director of a 75-voice chorale, a five-piano ensemble, and several smaller choral groups that were heard on radio throughout Canada. He has recorded five long-playing albums for RCA Victor Records and is now a Word recording artist. Tedd has in publication several piano and choral arrangement books and is the composer of several contemporary works for the piano.

He is the author of two folk musicals, "New Vibrations" and "Requiem for a Nobody," and is the composer of the songs and music for the new World Wide Pictures, "Time To Run."

Tedd, his wife, Thelma, and their two sons, Howard and Glenn, make their home in Silver Spring, Maryland.

#### John Innes

For all of his adult life, English-born John Innes has devoted his life to Christian music. Since 1967, that devotion has put him behind the console of organs at Billy Graham Crusades.

The Chicago-based musician was born in 1937, and after scho-

oling in his native Bradford, England, he came to the United States for further study. While at Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, he was

as minister of music part-time at an area church. Upon graduation from Wheaton, he became associated with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association as a musician for crusades of associate Evangelist Leighton Ford, with whom he still works.

Innes earned a Master of Music degree from Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., while working in team crusades, teaching piano and organ, and serving in a local church. In 1970 he became organist for Chicago's Moody Memorial Church.

When this busy pianist and organist has time off from his work, he enjoys swimming and golf. He and his wife and their four children live in the Chicago suburb of Wheaton.

## Billy Graham Crusade To Begin Sunday

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rallies and other types of training and preparation for the meeting.

One special feature which involved more than 2,000 persons was the Life and Witness Classes which were held in ten churches each week for four weeks in April. Special classes also were held on or adjacent to some of the college campuses. Out of these have come the more than 1,500 trained counselors who are ready for work during the meeting.

An event which is related to the crusade, though not a part of it, is the Billy Graham School of Evangelism which will be held at First Baptist Church, during the day, Monday through Friday of the crusade week. According to reports more than 1100 pastors and church leaders from Mississippi and surrounding states have enrolled for the school. They will receive training in evangelism from some of the outstanding soul-winning pastors, evangelists, and other evangelism leaders in America today.

Some of the services of the Mississippi Crusade will be televised on videotape, ready for probable use in a national telecast later.

A full program of "follow-up" is planned so that every person who makes any kind of commitment during the crusade, will not only be put into contact with a local church, but also will receive contact from other Christians and

ministry by mail from the Graham group. This latter includes Bible study, Christian growth materials, etc.

Financing of the campaign is through the gifts of interested people. The local steering committee, working with the Graham organization, set up a budget for this crusade, and has full oversight of it. Support has come from "Share-partners" who began to respond to an appeal which was made in November, special gifts which have been made both by churches and individuals, solicitation by a finance committee, and offering which will be taken at the crusade itself. All of the money is handled by the local steering committee and will be audited and reported on when the crusade is over.

Speaking of the crusade, Mr. Carr, the chairman said, "The purpose of the crusade is to win souls to the Lord Jesus Christ. Yet, at the same time we expect to see the meeting raise the whole spiritual level of our state. The churches which have participated in the preparation activities have been greatly blessed, and a revival already has come in many hearts. We expect to see even greater spiritual blessings in the coming days as the crusade itself begins. We are thankful to God that He has brought Mr. Graham to Mississippi for this meeting, and we want every Christian to pray earnestly that God will use him and all of us, in a mighty witness for Christ, during these days."

Dr. Billy Graham

## Graham Has Preached Gospel To Millions

At 56, a worldwide symbol of evangelism, William (Billy) F. Graham has preached the Gospel to more millions than anyone in history.

A graduate of Florida Bible Institute (now Trinity College) and Wheaton College, Graham has received honorary doctorates from many institutions. He is author of a column, "My Answer," which appears in many of the nation's foremost newspapers on a daily basis.

His counsel has been sought by presidents and his appeal to both the secular and non-secular worlds is shown by the wide range of groups that have honored him. These recognitions range from addressing the President's National Prayer Breakfast to the Gold Award of the George Washington Carver Memorial Institute in 1963, from the Speaker of the Year Award in 1964 to the Salvation Army's Distinguished Service Medal. Graham regularly is listed as one of the "Ten Most Admired Men in the World" and has been named "Man of the Year" by Time magazine.

Founder of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, he leads the weekly "Hour of Decision" program, which is broadcast by more than 900 stations around the world. His New York, Los Angeles, London, and South Kor-

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## EDITORIAL

### Billy Graham

The life and ministry of Billy Graham is one of the wonder stories of the twentieth century; indeed of all the centuries of Christianity.

It is the amazing chronicle of how God can use one man, when that man places himself completely in the Lord's hands.

It is the thrilling record of what one man, filled with the Holy Spirit, can do in touching the hearts of humanity.

It is the wondrous account of what the Word of God will do when it is sincerely and faithfully preached by a man who believes it.

Dr. Graham has said that the only way that he can be explained is to say, "God did it."

Those of us who know Billy, and understand the Biblical revelation of how God works, know that this explanation of his life and ministry is correct. Only God could do with and through a man, what has been done with Billy Graham.

Mr. Graham has preached to more people than any other person who ever has lived.

It seems evident that more peo-

ple have come to a saving knowledge of Christ under his ministry, than have been reached by any other person in Christian history.

He has walked with kings, but also with the common people. Presidents and world leaders count him as a friend, but his name is familiar and his face is recognized in villages and towns and cities in countries around the world.

He is a man of prayer.

He is a man of the book... the Word of God.

He is a man of deep dedication.

He is a man with a passion for souls... a desire to reach sinners for Christ.

He has gathered around him a team of others who love the Lord, and the lost, and who also have yielded themselves for God's use.

This week this team is coming to Jackson.

Beginning on Thursday morning Billy will be speaking to groups in pre-crusade meetings, and then starting next Sunday night, will be speaking each evening in the state's Giant Memorial Stadium.

For eight nights the people of Mississippi, and even from surrounding

states, will have the opportunity to participate in services such as have blessed millions of people around the world.

They will feel the throb and the thrust and the power and the joy of a mighty assembly of God's people, singing, praying, praising God, and quietly listening to the word of God as it is preached.

We can expect in these days, to see literally thousands turn to Christ.

We are certain to feel the Spirit's press in our own hearts, and hear the voice of the Savior as he speaks to us.

It should be a time of rich spiritual joy.

It should be a time of rededication and renewal.

We should see God working in a mighty way in Jackson in this mid-May time.

May all of us as Christians, be so yielded of God, that it can be a time of mighty revival in and throughout us.

May God be able to use Billy Graham in Jackson, as He has used him in so many other places!

### Children's Village Time

We would urge our people not to forget the annual special offering for the Mississippi Baptist Children's Village next Sunday.

Once each year, on Mother's Day, the Baptists of the state are asked to make a love gift for the Village. A large part of its annual budget must come from this offering. If some Baptists overlook the offering, or ignore it, a part of the ministry of the institution will suffer.

In recent weeks many of us have been much concerned about the orphans and other refugees coming out of Viet Nam. Well we should, for it is natural for Christians to have a heart of compassion for those who need our help and our love. We are sure that Southern Baptists will be participating along with others, in helping meet the needs of these people.

At the same time, however, we must not forget the needs of those who already are here in our midst. At the same time, however, we must not forget the needs of those who already are here in our midst.

#### NEWEST BOOKS

**THE NEW PEOPLE OF GOD** by Roy L. Johnson (Interchurch Printing, 1006 Southeast Pine Court, Portland, Oregon, 10 pp., \$25.) A study of New Testament churches and church membership as taught in the New Testament and observed by most Baptists.

**EXODUS** (American Bible Society, 12 cents, 88 pp., paper) The Old Testament book of Exodus in Today's English Version. "Let My People Go!" is the epic story of a pivotal event in history—God's deliverance of the Hebrews from slavery in Egypt. Illustrated with black and white drawings.

**LETTERS TO TONY** by Wayne Warner (Gospel Publishing House, paper, 106 pp., \$1.25) Entertaining and helpful teenage fiction. Tony becomes a Christian and then begins to face problems that shake his faith. Here, in an exchange of letters, youth minister Chuck Barnes helps Tony grapple with difficult situations common to teenagers everywhere.

**RANDY — PLEASE CALL HOME** by Stacey and Lee Bolton (Tyndale House, paper, \$1.45, 119 pp.) The compelling true story of a runaway teenager and the loving search for him by his Christian parents.

**ENLIST, TRAIN, SUPPORT, CHURCH LEADERS** by Evelyn M. Huber (Judson Press, 32 pp., paper, \$1.50) This book is written to help churches assess the need for leaders, to secure the persons needed, and to give them the kind of support they need. The author is program associate in leader development for American Baptist churches.

**TOMORROW'S PULPIT** by Alec Gilmore (Judson Press, paper, \$3.50, 94 pp.) Writing out of his experience as a pastor, the author describes ways of involving people in the sermon so that they can identify and relate events in the world to the Christian gospel.

**DISCOVERING SOUNDS** by Mary Llew Brown (Convention Press, 63 pp., 65c) This undated unit suggests materials and methods to help teachers guide older preschoolers in identifying sounds that a child can hear in his immediate environment—at home, at church, on the street, on the farm, and in industrial situations.

There are orphans and homeless children here too, and for more than three-quarters of a century Mississippi Baptists have had a positive ministry for them. That ministry, today, has developed into one of the finest child-care programs to be found in the Southern Baptist Convention, or anywhere else in America. Its strength has been made possible by the splendid leadership it has had, and by the continuing support of Mississippi Baptists.

For that program to remain strong, the full support of Mississippi Baptists for the institution must continue. If every Baptist in the state will respond generously next Sunday, the needs will be more than adequately met.

This is the ministry in which all of us who are Mississippi Baptists share. Let us have a special part in bearing the load by a gift for the Village on Mother's Day.

**HOW TO GIVE AWAY YOUR FAITH** by Paul E. Little (InterVarsity, 48 pp., \$3.95) A study guide for discussion on extending Christian faith to others.

**NOW THAT I'M A CHRISTIAN** by Chuck Miller (Gospel Light, \$1.95, 76 pp., paper) An attractive do-it-yourself study manual, discussing the basic steps to Christian growth.

**KNOW THE MARKS OF CULTS** by Dave Breeke (Victor Books, 128 pp., \$1.50) Each cult is guilty of one or more certain characteristic doctrinal errors. The author here discusses twelve basic errors he has seen in false religions and says that knowledge of these will help Christian and others' avoid being led astray by them.

**SERMON BOOKLETS** by Minyard Merrill Barnett (Barnett Publications, 3236 J Street, Eureka, Calif. 95501) The author is a graduate of Southwestern Seminary and has prepared series of four sermon booklets on the subjects **THE MOST FUNDAMENTAL LAW OF LIFE, BUILDING A LIFE, IMPERATIVES OF YOUTH, HAPPY TRIUMPHANT LIFE**. Each book is from 11 to 20 pages.

**OPEN SECRET** by Adolphe Monod (Whitaker, paper, 32 pp., 60 cents) Formerly titled, **LOOKING TO JESUS**, this small devotional book was adopted from the French of Adolphe Monod, 19th century preacher and professor. Its text is Hebrews 12:1 and 2.

**BOUNDFOR JOY** by Stuart Briscoe (Gospel Light, paper, \$1.45, 182 pp.) Paul wrote to the Philippians from a prison; yet he spoke repeatedly of joy. Writer Briscoe asks, "What is your prison? a hospital bed? a kitchen sink? an office desk? There is a way to be happy in prison. Do what Paul did in his cell."

**REFLECTIONS OF A POET** by James W. Dickerson (Exposition Press, \$4, 64 pp.) This collection of stimulating verse is written by a native of Montgomery, Alabama, now active in urban renewal in Chicago.

**1800 QUIPS FOR SPEAKERS AND WRITERS** by E. C. McKenzie (Baker, paper, 30 pp., \$1.95) This "fun book" has

Mississippi is honored to have its replica of the Liberty Bell chosen as the one which will be used by the Southern Baptist Convention as it observes its preparation for America's Bicentennial observance at its Miami Beach convention next month.

Every state has a replica of the Liberty Bell, the original of which is in Independence Hall in Philadelphia. All Mississippians can be proud that their particular bell was chosen for this event.

As is told in the story on page one, this bell is to be mounted on a truck furnished by the Ford Motor Co., and will be officially presented by Governor Waller to the president of the Southern Baptist Convention, in a ceremony on the capitol steps in Jackson on next Monday afternoon, May 12, at 4:00 p.m. Several Mississippians, as well as some from other states will participate in the ceremony, and it is hoped that many Jackson and other Mississippi Baptists will be able to be present.

not one, but 1800, brief quips for speakers and writers.

**THE CHRISTIAN HOME** by Ralph Heynen (Baker, paper, 79 pp., \$1.25) A retired hospital chaplain writes about such topics as making a house a home, 50-50 marriages, and how to improve family communications.

**A MANUAL ON EXORCISM** by H. A. Maxwell Whyte (Whitaker House, 128 pages, paper, \$1.25) The book seeks to answer the question, is exorcism for today? It discusses also such questions as are there really such things as demons? If so what are they? How can you know if you have one? How can you get rid of it?

**HOW TO LIVE ABOVE & BEYOND YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES** by Salem Kirban (Tyndale, 218 pages, paper, \$3.95) The book would declare that Old and New Testament characters had problems that parallel with the problems we have today. It seeks to give practical answers to perplexing problems.

**STANLEY FRODSHAM: PROPHET WITH A PEN** by Faith Frodsam Campbell (Gospel Publishing House, 146 pages, paper, \$1.25) This is a biography of Stanley Howard Frodsam told by his daughter. Frodsman's ministry included 33 years with the Assemblies of God where he served as editor of the Pentecostal Evangel.

**THE LAMB OF GOD** by Willard S. Hall (Mojave Books, 35 pages, \$4.95) The book contains seven sermons in seven chapters on the theme, The Lamb of God.

**PEACE CHILD** by Don Richardson (Regal Books, 329 pages, paper, \$1.50) This is a first hand narrative of the account of how the gospel of Christ brought true peace to the headhunting Sawi people of Netherlands New Guinea.

**WEAVING LIFE'S FABRIC** by Lawrence Caughman (Dorrance & Company, 62 pages, \$3.50) These are the personal experiences of the author and are intended to be a handbook for life.

**THE BLACK EXPERIENCE IN RELIGION** edited by C. Eric Lincoln (Anchor Books, 368 pages, paper, \$3.95) This is a compilation of several authors on the black experience in religion.

## MOTHERHOOD: HIGH CALLING, HIGH OFFICE



"TRAIN UP A CHILD IN THE WAY HE SHOULD GO: AND WHEN HE IS OLD, HE WILL NOT DEPART FROM IT." — PROV. 22:6

### Light for Living

— Chester E. Swor

World's Meanest

Mother ??

A refreshingly different Mother's Day thought was expressed in a tongue-in-cheek tribute paid by an anonymous mother to her mother in an article several years ago in the **PHOENIX (Arizona) GAZETTE**. In a rollicking sense of high humor and mock criticism, but of infinite admiration of her mother, she titled her article, "World's Meanest Mother," much of which I am quoting here:

"My mother insisted on knowing where we were at all times. . . . She insisted that if we said we'd be gone for an hour, we would be gone one hour or less. She made us work! We had to wash dishes, make beds, learn to cook, and all sorts of cruel things. . . . She always insisted on telling the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. . . . None of the tooting of the horn of a car for us to come running. She embarrassed us by making our dates and friends come to the door to get us. . . . While my friends were dating at the mature age of 12 or 13, my old-fashioned mother refused to let me date until I was 15 or 16. . . ."

"My mother was a complete failure as a mother. None of us has ever been arrested. . . . Each of my brothers served his time in the service of his country. . . . Look at the things we missed: we never did get to take part in a riot, burn draft cards, and a million and one other things that our friends did. . . . She made us grow up into God-fearing, educated, honest adults. . . ."

The anonymous woman writer who composed the foregoing essay concluded it with these challenging remarks: "Using this as a background, I am trying to raise my children. I stand a little taller and I am filled with pride when my children call me 'mean.' You see, I thank God that he gave me the meanest mother in the world."

The **PHOENIX GAZETTE**, which carried this humorous, but genuinely inspiring article, added this editorial comment: "From this, I would say, the country doesn't need a five-cent cigar: it needs more 'mean' mothers. . . . and daddies."

So, for this Mother's Day of 1975, the writer of this column wishes to pin a medal on every mother who is showing the courage to raise her children in the nature and admonition of God's Word, despite the "flak" she may be receiving from temporarily rebellious children and criticism from other mothers who are taking the easier route of letting their children "run with the pack."

My Mother's Day greeting to the "Mean Moms" is this: "HANG IN THERE . . . RIGHT ON. . . . I THINK YOU'RE WONDERFUL . . . AND SO WILL YOUR CHILDREN ONE OF THESE DAYS WHEN THEY ARE PARENTS!"

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**ONCE UPON A TIME, GOD . . .** by Thomas Howard (A. J. Holman Company, 114 pages, \$4.50) The author presents his material as a dialogue between a skeptic and a believer.

**POINTERS FOR PASTORS** by Charles W. Koller (Crescendo, 144 pages) These are the reflections of a man who would pass on information for anyone interested after 35 happy years in the pastorate.

**BILLY GRAHAM AND THE CHURCH OF ROME** by Ian R. K. Paisley (Church House Ardenlee Avenue, Belfast) A collection of documents concerning Billy Graham.

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# Leviticus Lists Moral Imperatives

By Wm. J. Fallis

Leviticus 19

Because of its emphasis on God's being holy and his requirement that Israel must be holy, the ten-chapter section of Leviticus 17 through 26 is called the Holiness Code. This is probably the oldest part of the book; its rules frequently echo the Ten Commandments. It is not concerned with the correct practice of religious rituals for their sake only. Especially does chapter 19 reveal the superiority of Hebrew religion to the religions of the surrounding nations. It shows that worship and morality are two sides of the same religious experience, that anyone who claims loyalty to God must show kindness to his brother.

## Sunday School Lesson: Life and Work

## A New Approach To Living

By Bill Duncan

Eph. 4:17-5:20

How do you describe the new life in Christ? "Socialism," declared a street orator, "can put a new coat on a man!" "Jesus Christ," cried a voice in the crowd, "can put a new man in the coat and that is better still!"

Most persons see the Christian life as walking in the light, or contrasted with walking in the darkness of sin. Earlier, in our study of Ephesians, we saw the life as contrasted with those outside of Christ or dead in trespasses and sins. However you see the Christian life, it is "a whole new ballgame with a different set of rules."

The appeal our study for this lesson is to leave the old way of life and turn to Christ's way of life.

In the passage which we are considering, Paul picks out the essential characteristics of the heathen or pagan life. The heathen are concerned with empty things which do not matter because their minds are darkened by ignorance and their hearts are hardened so that they are without feeling. They have abandoned themselves to every kind of

## The Lesson Explained

## THE BASIS OF HOLINESS (v. 2)

From early times the idea of "holy" meant something or someone set apart from everyday, secular affairs. As psalmists and other writers considered how completely different the Lord is from mankind, they used the word to describe his uniqueness. Because man was weak and selfish, God's holiness was seen as perfect righteousness and power. By his grace the Lord had selected the children of Israel as a nation unto himself, a chosen channel for his purposes. Thus, they were to be holy also, living apart from the idolatry of their neighbors and seeking a community of love among themselves far different from the outside world. Worshiping "the Lord your God" could never be complete with psalms, prayer, and sacrifices; it must be matched by right living outside the Temple. The combination

would reveal true holiness.

## BE THOUGHTFUL AND

## HONEST (vv. 9-12)

Contrary to the usual prohibitions, the first two verses of this passage refer to overdoing the harvest. The reapers are not likely to pick up every stalk of grain or pluck every bunch of grapes. The owner must not send them back to glean the fields. Instead, the grain along the borders and in the corners, and the fallen grapes in the vineyard must be

## Revival Dates

Greens Creek Church, Petal: May 16-18; Dr. R. G. Lee of Memphis, Tenn., evangelist; Ric Bullock, minister of music at Greens Creek Church, singer; 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday; Sunday 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Rev. Ralph Kelly, pastor.

left for the poor and the stranger, or traveler.

In all their relations as neighbors, the people must be honest: no lying or stealing. Every man has a right to his own property and to be dealt with honestly. In court actions a man must not try to guarantee his testimony with God's name when he knows his words are false. That name must not be soiled because God said, "I am the Lord." Verse 13 means that the day laborer must get his pay every day; the boss has no right to withhold it — even over night.

## BE IMPARTIAL AND LOVING

## (vv. 14-18)

Here again in verse 14 is kindly concern shown for the unfortunate, and the reason given: "I am the Lord." The holy God is setting a standard for the behavior of a holy people. The deaf and the blind need the care of God and of those who "fear" God.

Other verses in this passage deal with relations in a lawsuit. First, the elders who sat at the judges in the plaza at the city's main gate must be impartial. Neither the poor nor the rich should receive special treatment; righteousness must be the only influence when legal lines are drawn. The good citizen will not slander his neighbor, nor will he testify against him if his life is in danger. To live a holy life, a man must not hate his neighbor. If he feels that his neighbor has done something wrong, he ought to make his views clear to avoid being involved in his neighbor's guilt. He certainly must not hold a grudge or seek vengeance. Instead, he must love his neighbor as himself.

## YOUR DELIVERER REQUIRES IT (vv. 35-37)

Here the law confronts the farmer and the merchant. Whatever may be in the trade, it must be measured honestly. The scale must be properly balanced; the weights must be solid and not hollow; the grain measure ("ephah") and the liquid measure (" hin") must be standard. On such a commonplace note, the list concludes with the sublime reason for obedience. God, whom they called "the Lord" after Sinai, was responsible for bringing them out of Egypt. As their Deliverer he had the right to demand that the children of Israel obey his laws. He wanted them to be a holy people.

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## Stennis, Mixon To Speak At Carey Exercises

United States Senator John

Stennis of Mississippi will be the commencement speaker for 267 graduating students at William Carey College in Hattiesburg on Saturday, May 17, according to an official announcement by the Carey Board of Trustees.

Beginning with a senior reception at the President's Home on Friday night, May 16, the commencement schedule is crowded with events. The William Carey College Alumni Association will honor the graduates at a senior breakfast at 8 a.m. on commencement morning. Tommy King of Laurel, 1975 president of the alumni, will preside over the annual affair.

Baccalaureate services will be held at 10 a.m. in Thomas Fine Arts Auditorium with the Rev. Jerry Mixon speaking. Mixon is an alumnus of the college and is actively involved in the Jerry Mixon Evangelistic program throughout the state.

Commencement ceremonies will begin at 5 p.m., also to be held in Thomas Fine Arts Auditorium. Seating capacity will accommodate graduating students' families and friends only. In addition to the 267 regular degrees to be awarded, three honorary degrees will be presented by the Carey Board of Trustees.

At noon on commencement day Senator Stennis will be honored by Dr. Noonester and the trustees at a special luncheon to be held in Wilkes Dining Hall.

The Carey Board of Trustees will meet in annual session at 2 p.m. on commencement day. There are fifteen members.

## Off The Record

A church was having a special children's program. The children were packed into a hall waiting to enter and go up on the platform.

The adult workers kept frowning at one little boy who was sniffing with a cold.

He looked up at them and said, "It's all right. They have given me so much penicillin that if I do sneeze I'll cure everybody here."

—The California Southern Baptist

LUANDA, Angola — Twenty-two pastors, evangelists and laymen recently completed the month-long, third-year course of theological education in the Bible Institute of the Angolan Baptist Convention here.

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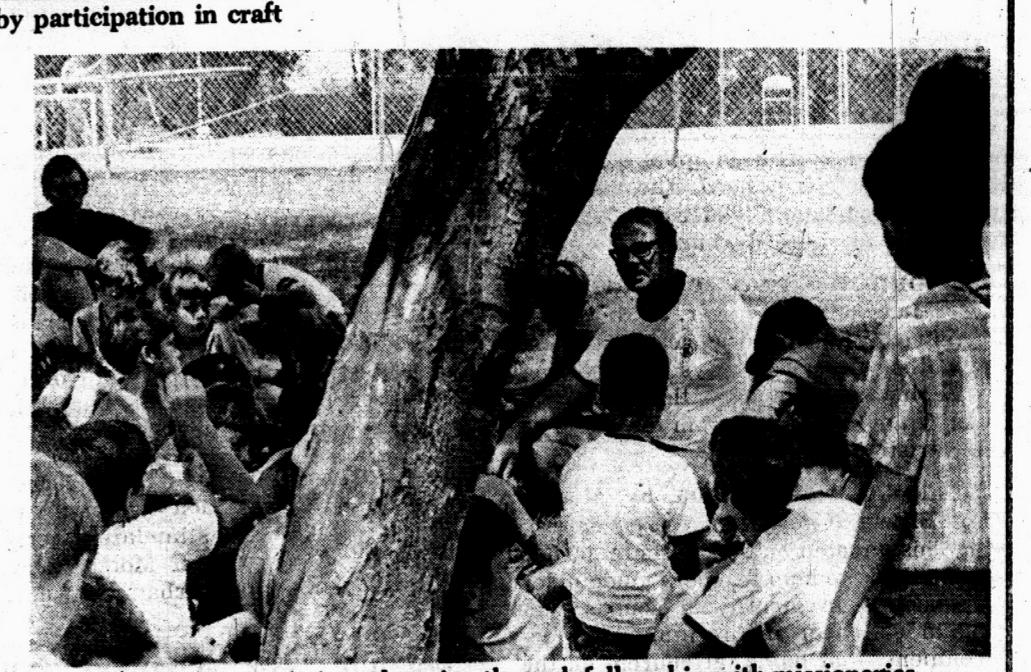


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### Second Century On Tour

Blue Mountain College's popular singing group. (The Second Century) began a 3-state, 9-day tour on May 3, with a farewell concert on the Blue Mountain campus. Members of the group include (from left) Cindy Boyd of Memphis; Eva Harland of Corinth; Harlan Truman of Birmingham; Butch Martin of Columbia, S. C.; Lori Dean of Greenwood and Robin Smith of Picayune. They sang May 4 at First, Aberdeen, and other stops this week have been in Alabama and Tennessee. On May 11, they will sing at Second Church, Memphis in the morning and Rugby Hills Church that night.

### Carnival Planned For Mentally Retarded

A carnival for the mentally retarded, their parents, teachers and others, will be held Saturday, May 10, at Camp Garaway, Clinton, from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. This is a special promotion of the Church Training Department, MBCB.

At 10, registration and fun at the carnival booths will begin. The boys and girls will have their own carnival.

Adults present will attend either of two conferences from 10:45 until 11:50 — "I'll Promise You a Tomorrow," led by Mrs. Doris Monroe or "Ask Just for Little Things," led by Mrs. Sammie Meek and Bill King.

Lunch will be served at 12. Then, beginning at 12:30, an hour will be allowed for the participants to look at exhibits of curriculum materials; articles and art work that the retarded have made; and a display of books and other resource materials.

After demonstration and discussion of music, and demonstration and discussion of games, a puppet show will be presented in the auditorium at 3 o'clock for boys, girls, and adults.

## Mission Gifts Of Mississippi Baptist Churches Thru Convention Board

Jan. 1, 1975 - April 30, 1975

Amer. Miss., Designated, WMU & All				Amer. Miss., Designated, WMU & All				Amer. Miss., Designated, WMU & All					
Co-op	Other	Total	Co-op	Other	Total	Co-op	Other	Total	Co-op	Other	Total		
FBC AMORY	11,466.06	13,492.78	25,119.42	SHADY GRV	50.00	145.00	FBC BIRMINGHAM	10,577.27	11,577.35	22,424.57	SUNFLOWER	100.00	246.40
FBC PRAIRIE	47.50	77.50	125.00	TOCUMA	94.00	145.00	FBC FLORENCE	5,983.31	6,001.25	21,186.50	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
FRIENDSHIP	406.16	1,123.99	1,542.55	UNION	64.71	645.70	FBC FLOOOD	1,800.07	1,459.67	2,822.24	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
GRASSLAND	28.00	20.00	48.00	17,481.35	15,055.95	32,537.30	FBC GLENDALE	1,000.00	4,776.11	9,776.11	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
GRACE CPL	100.00	100.00	200.00	PEAK RIVER	1,441.12	1,597.50	FBC GRANBURY	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
GREENWOOD SPRGS	38.09	38.11	76.20	BETHEL	1,441.12	1,597.50	FBC HICKORY RIDGE	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
GREGORY CPL	126.00	154.45	280.45	CRANE CRK	186.00	120.00	FBC JOHNSTON	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
HAMILTON BAPT CH	633.10	416.04	1,249.14	DERBY	444.29	190.40	FBC KALAMAZOO	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
LIBERTY	1,000.00	1,299.00	2,300.00	EMANUEL	160.00	366.00	FBC KALAMAZOO	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
MEADOWOOD	262.01	210.00	472.01	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
MORNING ASSN	1,007.01	1,299.00	2,300.00	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
NEW HOPE	100.00	100.00	200.00	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
NEW PERSPECT	261.01	1,162.00	1,423.00	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
QUINCY	100.00	100.00	200.00	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
ROCKY SPRGS	100.00	100.00	200.00	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
S. KETTELTON	411.00	250.00	661.00	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
SOUTHSIDE	982.25	350.25	1,332.50	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
SPLUNGE	2,133.00	1,200.00	3,333.00	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
TRINITY	21.81	31.59	53.40	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
MONTOOMERY	31,149.03	30,124.61	61,203.44	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
BETHLEHEM	100.00	42.81	42.81	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
BRIDGES	590.00	245.56	835.51	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
CAVANAGH	206.00	1,101.99	2,669.86	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
DUCK HILL	1,338.07	1,723.00	3,076.07	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
ESKIRIDGE	20.00	44.30	64.30	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
FBC MINONA	7,607.04	834.75	8,442.65	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
HAWKINS	100.00	100.00	200.00	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
HEBON	121.20	210.00	331.20	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
KILTRIMMEL	1,547.87	1,101.99	2,649.86	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
ROCKY SPRGS	60.00	117.65	177.65	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
MONTGOMERY ASSN	100.00	100.00	200.00	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
HULBURG	16.15	16.15	32.30	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
N. WINONA	1,476.91	2,127.98	2,744.89	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
PROSPECT	120.00	140.03	240.03	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
POPLAR CREEK MATT	12.00	52.00	64.00	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
POPLAR SPRGS	12.00	18.00	26.00	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
NEW CLOUD	246.10	535.98	782.06	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
SHILOH	11.00	20.00	30.00	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
STEWARD	75.00	75.00	150.00	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
UNION	20.00	53.00	73.00	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
UNITY	13,225.99	16,306.88	19,830.87	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
NESHOMA	100.00	100.00	200.00	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
ANTIOCH	602.12	401.70	1,003.82	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
GETHSEMANI	400.00	1,163.72	1,564.72	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900.00	FBC KALM	1,000.00	1,716.00	2,716.00	SWIMMING	100.00	426.40
BLUFF SPRGS	206.00	1,914.00	2,120.00	FBC KALM	2,000.00	1,900							

## Mississippi Newsbriefs

## Just For The Record

Friendship (Pike) will have their annual Adult Banquet, May 9. Rev. J. Garland McKee, pastor of Istrouma Church, Baton Rouge, La., will be guest speaker. Mr. McKee is well known as pastor, evangelist and recording star humorist. Bruce Fields, you-

th director, First, Summit, will present some musical entertainment. The event will be held in the church's newly completed Family Center. Alton Atwood is chairman of the Banquet Committee and Rev. H. Glen Schilling is pastor.

## Devotional

## Stay With It!

Dr. J. B. Fowler, Jr., Pastor, First Church, McComb. Sometimes it just seems like a waste of time, doesn't it? You prepare to teach your class of boys or girls, and only two or three show up and they squirm around like worms in hot ashes! You ask, "What's the use? I'm not getting through to them anyway!"

Maybe this was the way the minister felt that morning in Pompton, New Jersey when only one person showed up for the morning worship service—and he was only a kid! It was a cold, wet, bone-chilling morning and the good people of the town thought it too dreary and bad to be out—all that is, except one ten year old boy! There he was, spick and span, in his pew waiting for the preacher to give him his Sunday sermon.

And, the poor preacher—what was he to do? He had prepared all the week for this service. Should he "waste" it on the boy and dismiss the service? Or, should he go ahead and preach the sermon to the boy? Well, the preacher made up his mind, and when the hour for the service began he walked into his pulpit with a solemn dignity that befit the occasion. When it came time for the morning offering, the minister stepped down from the pulpit and placed the collection plate on the rail. The boy arose, walked to the altar, and dropped his nickel in the plate. As he did, the preacher placed a big hand on the boy's head and gave him a smile that warmed the boy's heart."

When it came time for the sermon the minister took his text and delivered his message, talking earnestly to the boy about a God in heaven who loved him. In the message he talked gently to the boy and sincerely to God, and the boy was deeply impressed with the preacher and his God. In later years, when the boy had grown to be a man, he had this to say about the minister who preached to him so sincerely that day: "I knew this man's God was a real God, and that his faith was God-like in its monumental simplicity. It left a lump in my throat, and I cannot think of it even today without emotion. That was religion at its finest."

Who was the boy? Oh, didn't I tell you? The boy was Cecil B. De Mille who became, in the opinion of many of us, the greatest producer of motion pictures in the history of the industry! He said that the influence of that pastor, and the influence of his father who read the Bible aloud to the De Mille family, pointed him in the direction of making great The Bible films by which he has touched the lives of millions of people.

During the Easter season, when I watched Moses part the Red Sea on national television, I was thankful for the great producer who made THE TEN COMMANDMENTS, and the humble preacher who helped inspire him to live and serve so worthily.

Who knows, dear teacher, but what that tender, supple clay you mold every Lord's Day, will be another Cecil B. De Mille? Don't give up! Stay with it.

Make full use of your natural ability—it gives everyone good reason for living.

The three famous highways are the war path, the primrose path and the road to ruin.

## Homecoming At Summerland

Summerland Church will celebrate Homecoming Day on Sunday, May 25. Dinner on the grounds will follow the regular morning service, according to the pastor, Rev. Carmon Savell. An afternoon service will feature the youth choir.

Plans are being made for an annual homecoming June 8.

## Perkins To Dedicate New Sanctuary

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